

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A process for treating fabric articles, comprising the steps of:
 - (a) in a first laundering appliance, washing a load of fabric articles in the presence of a predominant fluid and at least one cleaning composition comprising a surfactant;
 - (b) in said first laundering appliance, at least partially removing said cleaning composition from said load of fabric articles;
 - (c) in said first laundering appliance, at least one step of treating said load of fabric articles with a fabric article refreshment composition comprising a component selected from the group consisting of a fabric softener, a perfume, a colorant, and mixtures thereof, in the presence of a lipophilic cleaning fluid;
 - (d) in said first laundering appliance, removing said lipophilic cleaning fluid from said fabric articles; and
 - (e) optionally, recovering said lipophilic cleaning fluid;

wherein the lipophilic fluid is selected from the group consisting of linear and cyclic siloxanes, glycol ethers, and mixtures thereof.
2. (original) A process according to Claim 1 wherein step (a) is selected from:
 - (i) an immersive washing step wherein water is said predominant fluid;
 - (ii) a non-immersive washing step wherein water is said predominant fluid;
 - (iii) an immersive washing step wherein a lipophilic cleaning fluid is said predominant fluid;
 - (iv) a non-immersive washing step wherein a lipophilic cleaning fluid is said predominant fluid;
 - (v) an immersive washing step wherein a fluidized dense gas is said predominant fluid; and
 - (vi) a non-immersive washing step wherein a fluidized dense gas is said predominant fluid.
3. (original) A process according to Claim 1 which is conducted without separating or grouping said fabric articles by color or by type.

4. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 2 wherein step (a) is selected from (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv).

5. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 1 wherein predominant fluid in step (a) and the lipophilic cleaning fluid in step (c) are chemically different.

6 - 10 (withdrawn)

11 (not in the original filing)

11 - 16 (withdrawn)

17. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 1 wherein step (b) does not reduce the fabric articles to substantial dryness.

18. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 1 wherein said surfactant in step (a) comprises a surfactant other than a nonionic surfactant.

19. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 1 wherein said fabric articles are constructed of fabrics other than vinyl monomer grafted silk.

20 - 23 (withdrawn)

24. (currently amended) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the sequence of steps is (a) followed by (b) followed by (c) followed by (d), and optionally ~~but preferably~~ followed by (e).

25. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 24 wherein (c) comprises the sequential steps of:

- (i) rinsing said load of fabric articles one or more times at least partially in the presence of a lipophilic cleaning fluid; and
- (ii) treating said load of fabric articles with the fabric article refreshment composition in the presence of said lipophilic cleaning fluid.

26 - 29 (withdrawn)

30. (previously presented) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the predominant fluid in step (a) is selected from the group consisting of water, perchloroethylene, supercritical carbon dioxide, silicones, perfluorocarbons, subcritical liquid carbon dioxide, hydrocarbons, and mixtures thereof.